Application/Control Number: 10/706,541

Art Unit: 2838

DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Marcus W. Sprow on 01/17/2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

IN Claim 1 line 6, replace the word "as a function of" with ---utilizing----.

In Claim 11, line 4, replace the word "as a function of" with ---utilizing----.

IN Claim 11 line 5, delete the word "of a charging time"

- 2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:
- 3. Claims 9 and 11-20 allowed

For Claim 9: primarily, the prior art of record does not disclose or suggest in the claimed combination: determining the charge drawn utilizing an exponential function from the start of the drawing of the charge, wherein the exponential function includes a time constant defined at least as a function of the energy storage battery type and of the temperature of the electrolyte measured by the device for measuring battery temperature.